

DUKE DIDN'T KICK WIFE OUT OF BED

So He Says in Answering
Her Charges.

DEFENDS HIS HOUSEKEEPER

Tobacco Manufacturer Declares Miss
Smith Is Respectable Woman
of Good Manners.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—James B. Duke, the millionaire tobacco manufacturer, filed a long and striking answer to his wife's sensational charges in the court of chancery in Trenton today. Denouncing her allegations as "scandalous, untrue, and wholly unfounded," Mr. Duke insists, however, that what he said about her is not only true, but that he will produce the servants of her own home to corroborate his statements.

He alleges his intention of bringing out with great prominence her relations with Frank Hinton.

Some of the millionaire's denials of his wife's charges are as follows:

"I never kicked my wife out of bed, or struck her with a crutch."

Housekeeper Defended.

"Miss Mary Smith, my housekeeper, is not a bad woman and she never drank to excess."

"I did hire detectives to watch my wife, but only after I had made discoveries gravely involving her character."

"I admit that I learned from the servants the gravity of relations between Mrs. Duke and Frank Hinton."

"I never exposed my wife to cold by compelling her to take long and arduous journeys in an open vehicle."

"I never called her vile names, and drank so much that at night I would strike and otherwise abuse her."

Never in Spree.

"I did not hold nightly converse with Miss Smith, nor did I ever join her in drinking large quantities of liquor."

A striking feature of the answer is the manner in which the millionaire defends Miss Smith, his housekeeper, from his wife's attacks.

"I deny that she is of common origin," he declares. "On the contrary, she is of respectable parents, and has always been held in good repute. Neither are her manners common in the sense of being low or disreputable."

"It is true that she sometimes sat at the table with the defendant," (Mrs. Duke), the answer to the cross bill goes on to say, "but she always did so with the defendant's consent and sanction."

Mr. Duke denies that he ever took Miss Smith carriage or automobile riding contrary to the wishes of his wife.

"The petitioner employed detectives, it is true," the answer goes on to say, "but it is false that he organized an army of servants to spy on and to abuse her."

**MISS CYNTHIA ROCHE
TO WED A. S. BURDEN**

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Cynthia Roche to Arthur Scott Burden. The marriage will be an event of the early summer at Newport.

Miss Roche is the daughter of Mrs. Burke Roche and the Hon. James Boothy Burke Roche, M. P. Her parents were divorced several years ago. Her father is said to the title and estates of Baron Fermoy, Frank Work, the retired financier, is her grandfather.

Mr. Burden is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Burden and the nephew of I. Townsend Burden.

LEADING BARGAINS

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GOLDENBERG'S announce their semi-annual rummage sale, the object of which is to close out all oddments and broken lines at fractional prices. Every department in the mammoth establishment is represented in this event with exceptional bargain opportunities. Especially noteworthy are the reductions in the women's outer-garment, dress goods, muslin undergarment and fur sections.

THE HECHT STORES begin tomorrow a three days' sale before inventory, for the purpose of reducing stocks. Of chief interest are the large sacrifices made in women's ready-to-wear garments and extraordinary offerings in the dry goods and women's waist departments.

S. KANN, SONS & CO.'S clearing sales will end next Wednesday. The inventory will then be taken and the incentive for selling at less than cost, as is being done in many instances, will cease. Many of the best bargains cannot, because of too limited quantities, be mentioned in the advertisements. It is the pride of the firm that whatever is advertised is to be had for the period stated, and this policy makes it inadvisable to mention many things where there are but one or two of a kind. These things are on sale placarded with clearing sale signs.

LANSEBROUGH & BRO. are closing out Royal Worcester Corsets, in the new, long dip hip effect, some with garters. Regular \$1 corsets go at 80c and proportionate reductions on all grades up to \$2.50. Also broken sizes of J. B. Corsets at 50c instead of a dollar. Women's tailored suits that sold for \$15 to \$19.50, are advertised now at \$4.75.

MAYER & CO. announce the final week of their extremely successful Rebuilding Sale. While values have been great during this entire event, the reductions for this week they claim exceed even those of the past. Ten to 40 per cent discounts have been made on most everything in their stock. Besides, they grant most liberal terms of payment.

JULIUS GARFINKLE & CO. have made discounts in order to dispose of their stock of ladies' outer-garments of quality. Although the styles and qualities are the foremost, the firm deems it not to permit any garment to remain in stock from one season to another. Outer-garments of the finest grades may therefore be secured this week at prices considerable less than the usual.

R. HARRIS & CO. call attention to their variety of suggestions in things suitable for wedding gifts. They announce that their buyers visited the leading markets directly after the holidays, with the result that their stocks at the present time are complete in every detail. Silverware, cut glass, art ware, bric-a-brac and the like are shown in excellent variety.

HUB FURNITURE COMPANY tomorrow inaugurate their February discount sale of furniture, which event they claim brings forth reductions of from 25 per cent to 50 per cent off regular selling price.

J. & W. EISEMAN offer reductions of high grade ladies' outer-garments with the privilege of all the credit you want. Among the notable bargains is a lot of ladies' \$20 tailor made suits in newest colors and styles offered now at \$15.98.

WM. HAHN & CO. announce still greater price cuts in Shoes of quality. They claim present prices to be from \$1 to \$2.50 lower than the footwear sold for during the season. Included in this price reduction are shoes of every quality and grade. All sizes, styles and leathers are represented.

ALEXANDRIA NEWS NOTES

WASHINGTON TIMES BUREAU, ALEXANDRIA, VA., JAN. 27.
Potomac Lodge of Odd Fellows held an interesting meeting at their hall, in North Columbus street, last evening. The third degree was conferred upon four candidates, and after the meeting refreshments were served. Among those present were Grand Master Norman Ashby, of Culpeper, and Grand High Priest W. L. Brown, of the District of Columbia.

DIRECTORS ELECTED.

The stockholders of the Home Fire Insurance Company held a meeting at the rooms of the Business Men's League and elected the following directors: J. R. N. Curtis, P. M. Bradshaw, C. H. May, W. W. Sherwood, J. C. Milburn and E. C. Graham.

BUYS HOUSE AND LOT.

Peter Francis has bought from Luther Carter, real estate agent, a house and lot, 115 Prince street.

COMMISSION GRANTS CHARTER.

The State Corporation Commission has granted a charter to the Suburban Homes Company, of this city. The officers are John H. Walter, president; W. H. Baden, secretary and treasurer, all of Washington. The object of the new company is to deal in real estate. The capital stock is fixed at from \$1,000 to \$500,000.

TEMPERANCE LECTURE.

At Trinity M. E. Church tomorrow evening at 6:30 o'clock Mrs. Weech will deliver an illustrated temperance lecture at the Epworth League meeting. The Rechabites are invited to be present.

TO HOLD APRON SALE.

On Monday next the Whatsoever Circle of King's Daughters of Grace Church will hold an apron sale at Lee Camp Hall from 7 to 10 p. m.

CHILDREN POISONED BY LEMON EXTRACT

LYONS, N. Y., Jan. 27.—John and Rose Warren, two and four years old, respectively, were poisoned by drinking lemon extract last night. The boy died, but the girl is recovering. Some time after they drank the poison the children were found by their mother, Mrs. James I. Warren, lying on the floor in convulsions.

Physicians who worked over them said that there were symptoms resembling those of wood alcohol poisoning. Coroner Allen is investigating.

ALFONSO'S CIVIL WEDDING WILL BE HELD IN LONDON

PARIS, Jan. 27.—King Alfonso, a dispatch from Madrid to the Gaulois says, will go to London to sign his contract of marriage with Princess Ena of Battenberg. The contract will be countersigned by King Edward. This ceremony will not take place until after the visit of the King and Queen of Portugal at Madrid, where they are to arrive on February 24. The marriage will take place in April.

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Mr. Johnson has the entire of the real estate circles of all the large cities, and he can assemble a large amount of capital upon shorter notice for real estate investment than many men of far more resources. He has been an extensive traveler and is thoroughly en rapport with capital in every commercial center. His intuition is commented upon and real estate experts often defer to him on matters of real estate investment touching capital in large amounts.

His assembly of facts and figures to re-enforce an argument for the purchase of properties shows the carefulness of detail that bespeaks the academic mind applied to the business world. He is thoroughly scientific in his methods of advertising his properties and the facts and pamphlets run off by his facile pen have nothing of the slipshod so ruinous to the value of much of the modern real estate advertisement. His study of the conditions surrounding Washington real estate have been thorough, and the matter compiled and published by him on the history—past, present and future—of Capital City real estate would fill many volumes. He is original in his methods—follows no beaten track—but has blazed the way for scores of imitators to follow and warm by his camp fires.

Mr. Johnson has much of the prophetic in his make-up. Many of the improvements of the Capital City and the wonderful growth and rapid pace forward was promised and predicted by "the prophet" believed and many scoffed. In department he is Chesterfieldian, and many a sale of magnitude has been pushed through by the gentility of his good-comradship. He never loses a client after he once invests under his direction and today he still invests for those who were with him many years ago. He takes great pride in the record established by him while with several of the largest real estate firms in Chicago and New York, and still maintains those confidential relations that made him so invaluable to those firms.

Mr. Johnson is now consummating the largest deal he has ever attempted—the assembling of outside capital for investment in large amount in Washington real estate. Mr. Johnson predicts the most glorious future for Washington of any capital city in the world. He believes with Senator Elkins in his half-million population in the next ten years, and easily draws from this the doubling of real estate values around the District of Columbia in a few years' time. There has not been a subdivision laid off within the District of Columbia for the past ten years that he has not the most thorough knowledge of, and can tell on his fingers the various advantages and disadvantages of each one.

IN NEED OF PRAYER.

This is the story they are telling out in Kansas on W. R. Stubbs. Recently while in Washington, Stubbs took his boy to the Senate gallery to witness the Senate in action. Among the persons the boy was particularly interested in was Edward Everett Hale. His father told him that he was the chaplain. "Oh, he prays for the Senate," doesn't he asked the lad. "No," replied Stubbs, "he gets up and takes a look at the Senate and then prays for the country."—Boston Globe.



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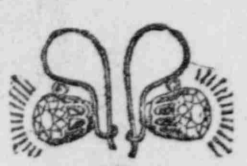
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